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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the office action dated February 5, 2004 (for which petition is hereby made for a one-month extension of time), Applicants elect without traverse the invention of Group I (*i.e.*, claims 1-31 and 33-56).

Because a restriction/election requirement is never proper unless the restricted group of claims is patentably distinct (*i.e.*, *inter alia*, non-obvious under 35 U.S.C. Section 103) from the elected group of claims, the Examiner is requested to ensure that such patentable distinctness is present before proceeding to make the requirement final.

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Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application(s) directed to the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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